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SUBJECT: SOBER VISIT

REF.: TEHRAN 9017

FOR CHARGE FROM SOBER

1. I HAVE BEEN OBLIGED TO DELAY MY DEPARTURE. MY PRESENT PLAN, SUBJECT TO FURTHER CONFIRMATION, IS TO LEAVE HERE SEPTEMBER 23 AND ARRIVE TEHRAN SEPTEMBER 24 AT 8:30 P.M. VIA PAN AM 110. ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK TO RELEVANT PEOPLE IN THE EMBASSY, INCLUDING PROVENCHER, ON CURRENT PROBLEMS AND EFFORTS REGARDING JOINT COMMISSION ACTIVITIES. LATE THAT DAY, IF POSSIBLE, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF I COULD MEET WITH MEHRAN, AND POSSIBLY ALSO ANSARY IF HE IS AVAILABLE, TO REVIEW THE STATUS OF OUR PAST DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM ON PENDING OVERALL ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR JOINT COMMISSION WORK. IF YOU AND CONSUL ISFAHAN AGREE, I WOULD LEAVE FOR ISFAHAN

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FRIDAY MORNING SEPTEMBER 26 AND RETURN TO TEHRAN THE NEXT

DAY. IN ISFAHAN I WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH BELL
AND GRUMMAN PEOPLE AND TO BENEFIT FROM ANY OTHER EXPOSURE

YOU AND THE CONSULATE BELIEVE WOULD BE HELPFUL. ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 I WOULD WELCOME CHANCE TO CONTINUE
MY TALKS WITH VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF THE EMBASSY AND, IF
NECESSARY, MAKE CALLS ON MEHRAN AND ANSARY IF NOT
COMPLETED ON SEPTEMBER 25. I PLAN TO GO SEPTEMBER 28-29
TO THE ECONOMY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING. PLAN TO
REMAIN IN TEHRAN OCTOBER 1-2, WHEN I WOULD LIKE TO MEET
WITH GENERAL VANDENBERG AND VON MARBOD; CONTINUE TALKS
AS NECESSARY WITH EMBASSY STAFF; AND PROBABLY WISH TO CALL
ON SEPHERI OF AGRICULTURE MINISTRY REGARDING USDA
TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROPOSAL. I MAY ALSO WISH TO SEE
ONE OR MORE ADDITIONAL MINISTRIES REGARDING JOINT
PROPOSALS. ASSUME A COURTESY CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTRY
WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. IN ALL OF MY CALLS I WOULD
WELCOME SUCH EMBASSY PARTICIPATION AS YOU MAY BELIEVE
USEFUL. NATURALLY, I WILL ALSO WELCOME CHANCE TO
CONSULT WITH THE AMBASSADOR AND JACK MIKLOS AS APPROPRIATE
THROUGHOUT MY STAY. I PLAN TO LEAVE TEHRAN EARLY MORNING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 FOR RETURN TO U.S.

2. WOULD YOU PLEASE GO AHEAD ON ASSUMPTION THAT MY
ARRIVAL LATE SEPTEMBER 24 WILL BE CONFIRMED? I WOULD
APPRECIATE YOUR BOOKING FLIGHT FOR ME TO ISFAHAN MORNING
SEPTEMBER 26 AND RETURN TO TEHRAN AFTERNOON 27TH; I WOULD
PLAN TO PICK UP RESERVATION ON MY ARRIVAL TEHRAN.

3. BECAUSE OF DELAY IN MY DEPARTURE, I HAVE DECIDED TO
FOREGO PROPOSED TABRIZ VISIT. KISSINGER

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